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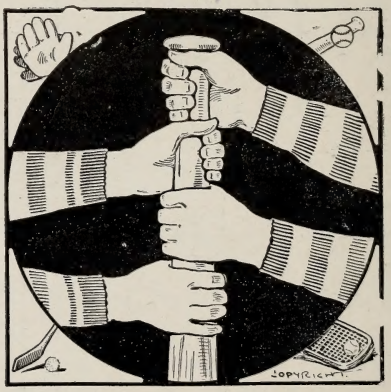

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BETA DELTA

THE BETA DELTA SOCIETY—HISTORICAL SKETCH

ON the 1st of March, 1911, under the direction and advice of Mr. Wood, a few ambitious boys decided that it would be to their advantage to have some training in public speaking and debating. As a result of this the Beta Delta Society was organized, with Robert McKay, who is now in business in the Prairies, as its first president, and with a membership of eighteen.

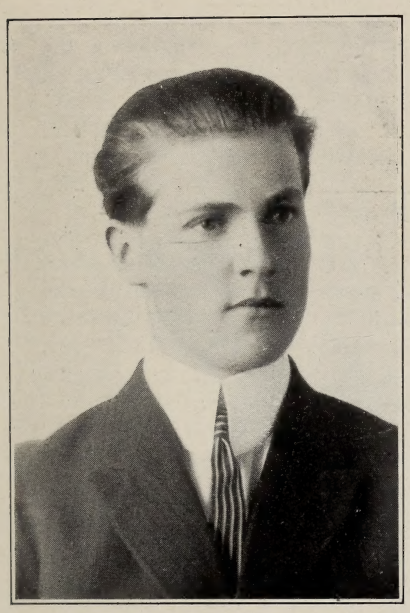
The next session of the Society opened in September of the same year, and new officers were elected. Roy Ledingham was president. The pupils showed added interest in the work and as a result the membership was increased to forty-five. To add to the standing of the Society and to give its members an object to strive for, a gold pin of artistic design was offered to those members who qualified in several stated phases of the debating work. Nine students were found to have gained these badges at the end of the session. They were: Anderson, Beckwith, Campbell, Clark, Coppock, Lyons, McDiarmid, O'Meara and Stevenson.

The new term found the Society ready with renewed vigor to continue its work. The membership increased in September, 1912, to seventy-eight, and by December R. Ledingham and Paul Clyde had qualified for their pins. From January, 1913, to May the debating continued. The meetings were varied in form; a mock trial and a mock parliament which were held added much to the interest taken in the Society; and by the close of the term Ewart Gee, Walter Hall, Robt. Hamilton, Gordon Kenning, Forrest Kerr, Leonard McBride, Christian Sivertz and William Stubbs had qualified for their pins.

The session of 1913-14 has been one of unusual success for the Beta Delta Society. The membership has been increased to the large number of ninety-four. The work has progressed with great success, and Gillie, Rowe, Foulkes, Cross, Fairbairn, H. Stevens and R. McBride have qualified for the society pin. The debates have been better than ever before, and the members have shown clearly by their improved work that this organization is not standing still, but that it is progressing.

Within the last few months the Sears Cup has been brought back to the Victoria High School by the defeat of the Vancouver Debating teams, both here and in the terminal city. This is certainly encouraging and makes the outlook for the future a very promising one.

Victoria High School Debators



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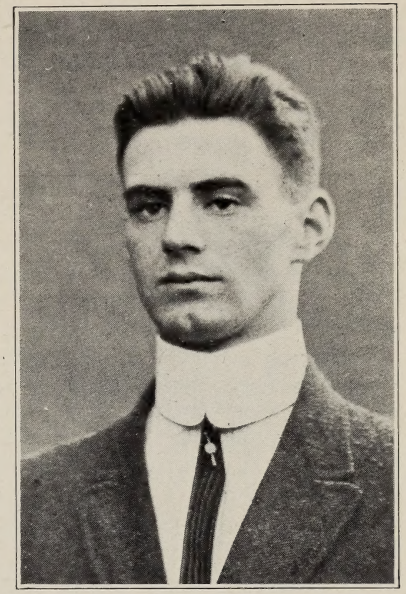

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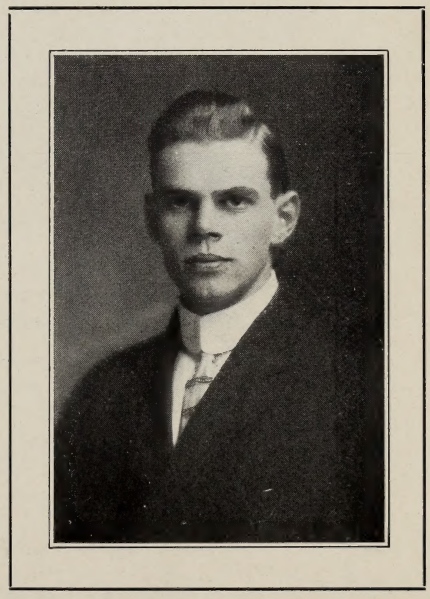


ROBERT HAMILTON (Pres. of Society)

Possessing all the advantages, that this building offers to the students, for debating, we feel sure that in the future this organization will uphold the honor of the Victoria High School, in such a way that it will always be not only a great help to the boys while at school but will lead them on to realize successful and useful lives.

William Stubbs Wins Gold Medal

ON Friday evening, May 15th, the annual oratorical contest of the Beta Delta Society took place in the auditorium of the High School. The speakers were Christian Sivertz, Arthur McBride, Struther Foulkes, William Stubbs and Walter Hall. L. E. Fairbairn was unable to speak owing to a very sore throat.

President Hamilton opened the function by briefly tracing the history of the Society, which was founded some three years ago by Mr. F. G. C. Wood. During this period the membership had grown from eighteen to ninety-six. The President then introduced the various speakers, who spoke on widely different subjectcs, doing great credit to themselves and the Society. The speeches were interspersed with musical numbers very kindly furnished by Mrs. Roy Troupe and Mr. Morton, accompanied by Mrs. Gibson.

At the conclusion of the oratorical efforts, the judges, C. H. Lugrin, Judge Lampman and Mr. Jackson gave a decision in favor of William Stubbs, who spoke on "The Unjust Exclusion of the Hindus." C. H. Lugrin, on behalf of the judges, complimented the various speakers and presented Stubbs with the much coveted medal.

While a decision was being reached, Mrs. Jenkins, President of the Women's Canadian Club, presented the Society's pins to the winners of the year, after which the chairman thanked Mr. Wood for the very important part he had played in the development of the Society, and, on behalf of the Beta Delta, presented him with a very substantial token of their appreciation and regard in the shape of a handsome watch.

Mr. Wood replied, thanking the boys for the unexpected way in which they had "spoilt the evening for him," after which a vote of thanks was extended to the distinguished judges and also to Miss Stewart of the Public Library for her kindly assistance in furnishing material for our debates.

Victoria Wins the Sears Cup

"Resolved, that Labor Unions have justified their existence."

THE above resolution was successfully defended at home by Hamilton and Fairbairn, while at the same time our old warriors, Clyde and Campbell, were equally successful in their attack on the same resolution in Vancouver.

At Victoria

The debate here was held before a large and sympathetic audience in the First Baptist Church hall. Hamilton and Fairbairn were opposed by two Vancouver boys, Elliott and Francks, the latter of whom was credited by the judges as having been the best speaker of the evening.

Bob Hamilton opened up the contest with an outline of the many praiseworthy accomplishments and aims of the Labor Unions. He pointed out that they had already forced employers to give a living wage, and had served greatly to protect the lives and privileges of workingmen. They have been "a ray of sunshine and a gleam of hope" to the victims of the present social system.

BETA DELTA EXECUTIVE
Front Row—S. Foulkes, R. Hamilton (Pres.), C. Sivertz.
Back Row—W. Hall, P. Clyde, F. G. C. Wood (Hon. Pres.), W. Stubbs, A. McBride

The next speaker, Elliott, undertook to portray in lurid colors all the evil effects Labor Unions have had or may have. They have with their strikes, he said, caused terrible suffering and loss of life, and many of their members have become actually insane. He declared that in most places today, "a man must either join the union and cheat his employer, or have his head smashed in." He lavished epithets on union men, saying that they are as a class—"lazy, slovenly in their work, good-for-nothing, unstudious, cold and merciless, with no regard for the flag, etc., etc." His eloquence was if anything too bold, and most of his arguments were based on the authority of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Fairbairn spoke next and made a favorable impression on the audience. He spoke in a clear and familiar style and did not attempt to make himself too oratorical. He showed why labor unions were necessary and supplemented the arguments of his colleague by adding to the list of praiseworthy results.

The last speaker for Vancouver was the most effective one of the four, his arguments being on the whole sound and plausible. Some of his statements might have been amplified with advantage, and he was criticized by the judges for making such a rash statement as that "there are no unions in China where we see the laborers are contented." He said the axiom of the unions had so far been: "Might is Right," and that the credit for improvements referred to by his opponents was not due to Labor Unions. These institutions had failed in their purpose, he said, and resulted in the "servile obedience of the masses to the bosses of the unions."

Bob Hamilton closed the debate with a few telling remarks on the arguments used by the negative, saying that everyone admitted Labor Unions have their imperfections, just as everything human has, and that it is not fair to condemn them and overlook their benefits for such trivial reasons as had been set forth.

The judges were His Honor Judge Lampman, Rev. Dr. Scott and Inspector McLaurin. The result was 131 to 115, in favor of Victoria. While the judges were in deliberation the audience was entertained by two vocal selections by Messrs. Waddington and Muir, for whom Mr. E. H. Russell acted as accompanist, and an instrumental quartette by the Misses Daisy and Jeanne Halliday, Burridge and Francis. William Stubbs, vice-president of the Beta Delta Society, made an able chairman.

The Vancouver Debate

On Friday evening, April 3rd, the Victoria High School's representatives in the Inter-school Debating League, Paul Clyde and Gordon Campbell, accompanied by K. Gillie, C. Sivertz and H. Stevens embarked for the "Terminal City." After a successful passage the little party was welcomed by two members of the King Edward High School and escorted to the Dunsmuir Hotel. Saturday was spent in a free and careless way until seven o'clock, when all set out for the great event, scheduled to take place at eight p.m. sharp.

The school was well lighted and at the stated time the auditorium was well filled with eager faces, but owing to some mishap the debate was prolonged in consequence of the absence of one of the judges. However, at a quarter to nine the judges, consisting of Dr. Westbrook, His Honor Judge McGinnis and His Honor Judge Fell, entered and the chairman, Mr. Johnson, called the meeting to order.

After a short introduction by the chairman, the discussion was opened by the first speaker on the affirmative, Grimmett, of the Vancouver team. This orator completed a very creditable address and

was succeeded by Clyde, who opened the debate on the negative. From the commencement of his speech our worthy representative was master of the situation, at all times portraying careful study, fine selection of words and a well modulated voice. The following speaker was Rogers of Vancouver, who showed considerable skill in the use of words and displayed self-confidence to a high degree. In closing the contest Campbell acquitted himself in a most admirable manner, dealing with the subject from every standpoint, and by emphasizing his points and expanding his ideas, he won the appreciation of all present.

WINNERS OF GOLD PINS (SESSION 1913-14)
Back Row—A. McBride, K. Gillie
Front Row—L. Fairbairn, H. Cross, H. Stevens, H. Rowe
Absent—S. Foulkes

Without delay the judges retired and the interval was filled by music and song, which was well rendered. After some consultation the judges awarded the victory to the Victoria team by a margin of fifteen points and with that the meeting was dismissed.

Miss Taylor and Miss Marjorie Taylor gave a very pleasant tea on Saturday, April 25th, at their charming home, 122 Clarence Street. The girls invited were: Miss Dorothy Kingham, Miss Zalba Ormond, Miss Mildred MacEachern, Miss Grace Cameron, Miss Jean Cameron, Miss Bessie Middleton, Miss Dorothy Moore, Miss Aileen McBride, Miss Gertrude Scott, Miss Bessie Scott, Miss Teresa Robinson and Miss Marjorie Campbell.

The Portia Society

THE first meetings of a Society are usually attended by a good deal of enthusiasm—enthusiasm not always lasting in its character. "The Portia" started out well; and, in spite of the disadvantage of being obliged to use a room much too small to accommodate comfortably those who wished to attend the debates, the Club has been able to maintain an interest in its work throughout the whole year. It is now safe to say that "The Portia" is a well-established organization of the School, one which may reasonably look forward to a future of valuable work.

The faithfulness and enthusiasm of the President and other officers of the Club are, no doubt, mainly responsible for the successful year now closing. The members have been much encouraged by the interest and sympathy of Mr. Willis and the High School teachers, a number of whom have kindly acted as judges at the debates. The thanks of the Society are extended to these and to Miss Smith and Mr. Stevenson of McGill Arts '16 for a similar courtesy.

Since the first of last October ten debates have been held, thirty-four members of the Club taking part. When the size of "The Portia" is considered that number appears to be a very fair proportion of the membership. Only six girls have spoken at more than one debate. Among the speakers are several of such good promise that the Club feels it may look forward with confidence to a contest with representatives of the Beta Delta early next year.

To the members of that Society thanks are due for invitations to attend their meetings on several occasions.

Those who have been actively engaged in the work of "The Portia" have surprised all who have listened to them by the excellent quality of their speeches. As regards study of their subjects and careful preparation they have left little to be desired; they have been weakest, naturally in the most difficult part of debating, the refutation. It has been a cause for some disappointment that no more members have embraced the opportunity of taking part in the general discussions which follow the debates. In the short speeches which an open discussion demands, the less courageous members may find a chance of testing themselves and preparing for the most difficult task of taking part in a debate proper. The opportunity is one worth taking advantage of.

With the accommodation which the new High School offers both for private and public meetings of the Club, "The Portia's" work should be much broader and even more successful during the coming year.

The Opening of the New High School

"The old order changeth, yielding place to new"

HOW many times this quotation has been repeated is hard to say, yet perhaps never before has it been used with such a pleasing effect as in regard to the new High School, which was formally opened and dedicated to the students of Victoria on Friday, May 1st.

The school as a whole assembled into the auditorium on Friday afternoon for the purpose of listening to the interesting dedicatory speeches which were given by a number of the leading men of our city. The Cadet Corps, under the command of Major Yuill, formed a guard of honor for His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, who arrived about 2.30. After inspecting the Cadets and remarking on their neat appearance, he proceeded to the assembly room.

Magistrate Jay, Chairman of the School Board, who was in the chair, first called on Rev. Leslie Clay for opening prayer. The Chairman then made a few remarks. He welcomed the people of Victoria on behalf of the School Board to the fine edifice, declaring it to be one of the best in Canada. In his few words he gave great praise to his colleagues for the excellent work they had carried out. He then, on behalf of the citizens of Victoria, presented the key of the new school to Mr. S. J. Willis, Principal.

Mr. Willis in his reply declared that he felt honored by the people for having placed in his charge the new institute of learning. The work in the old school had been greatly hampered by so little space, yet in spite of this splendid results had been gained, and now that the new school had been obtained every attempt would be made to raise the standard of work.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in a few words declared the school opened. The audience was then entertained for a few minutes by a delightful piano solo by Miss F. Spencer.

The next person Mr. Jay called upon was the Honorable Dr. Young, Minister of Education. Dr. Young felt sure that the students of Victoria well appreciated this new school and that in time they would rise up to the occasion. Although a large sum of money had been spent, it was only a secondary consideration when one considered for what great use it was being expended.

The Minister of Education was followed by Dr. Robinson, Superintendent of Education.

Mrs. Gideon Hicks then sang "The Rosary," much to the delight of the audience.

Trustee Margaret Jenkins, Chairman of the Finance Committee, was the next to speak. She recalled how dear to her were all the students of the High School and how she had watched them rise to matriculation and then to manhood and womanhood. The new school,

she declared, was not an expenditure but an investment. A beautiful bouquet of flowers was presented to her from the girls.

Trustee Major P. J. Riddell, Chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee, was then called upon.

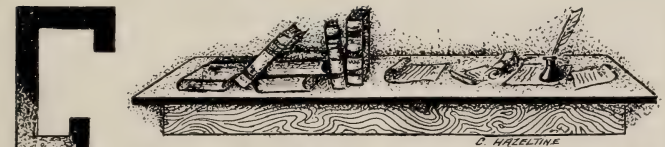
Mr. Paul, Inspector of Schools, declared in a few words how very elegant the old High School had seemed when the key had been turned over to him as principal. It was with something of sadness that he saw them leave the old school, where such happy days had been spent, and yet it was with delight that he saw the students of Victoria enter into the finest and most up-to-date school in Canada.

This was the last speech of the afternoon and the Venerable Archdeacon Scriven closed with the benediction.

G. C.

Maud Muller

Maud Muller, on a summer's day,
Called "Number, please!" to earn her pay.
Before her, numbers, printed small,
Fell down when anyone would call.
The Judge took down his office phone,
And made to Maud his wishes known.
Said he, "I'll ask you once more
For four — eleven — forty - four."
Said Maud, as mild as summer's seas,
"What number, did you ask for, please?"
Said he, "I told you twice before,
It's four — eleven — forty - four."
Said Maud, and you could hear her smile,
"Just hold the phone a little while."
A weary interval ensued:
The wires hummed an interlude.
And broken bits of talk came o'er
The phone, and made the waiter sore.
The wish-bone-shaped receiver hook
He seized upon and wildly shook,
Till Maud's voice he heard once more:
"What number are you waiting for?"
The Judge responded with a roar,
"It's four — eleven — forty - four!"
Serenely Maud made answer then,
"That line is busy; call again."
The Judge had business late that day,
And so he merely walked away;
But as he walked he shook his head
And this is what he sadly said:
"Of all sad words of tongues and pen,
The saddest are, 'Busy, call again'."



EDITORIAL

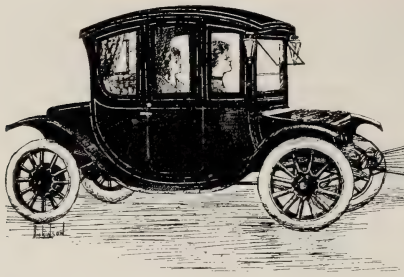
WITH the appearance of this, the last number for the session, the duties of the editors and reporters for 1913-14 are ended. The Camosun has, we believe, given reasonable satisfaction to the subscribers, and several numbers have even evoked favorable comment from outsiders. Personally we have no complaint to make of the support that has been given, and are very gratified with the interest those not officially connected with the paper have shown. In retiring from office we desire to express our appreciation of the assistance we have received from the students during the year and wish those who follow us in office every success in carrying out the aims and extending the usefulness of the Camosun.

Mr. F. G. C. Wood is to leave the staff of teachers at the end of this term to take up a post-graduate course at Harvard, where he has been awarded a scholarship. Needless to say Mr. Wood will be greatly missed by the students, especially as he has always played such a prominent part in school affairs. He is at present the business overseer of the Camosun, and it will be hard to find another so well fitted for this position.

With the opening of this term we have an addition to the staff of the school in the person of Mr. G. Hammill, B.A., who is filling the vacancy caused by the absence of Miss Burris. Mr. Hammill is a graduate of the University of Toronto.

Mr. J. A. Yates, who joined the staff of the High School some two years ago, has obtained a leave of absence and has gone to Oxford, where he will pursue a post graduate course. Mr. P. H. Hughes has taken the place of Mr. Yates for the remainder of the term.

The following members of the Matriculation Class have been appointed Prefects during the remainder of the term: Miss Bessie Woods, Miss M. Sargent, Miss Marjorie Fox, Gordon Campbell, Leonard McBride, Thomas Heyland. Miss Muriel Grant and Miss Sargent will inspect the girls' lockers, while Gordon Cameron and Proctor McPherson will take charge of those for the boys.



SOCIETY.

THE close of the dancing season as far as the High School is concerned, was fittingly celebrated by the Third Annual Ball of the Cadet Corps. As usual much had been anticipated from this event and few were disappointed. The simple but effective decorations of the ballroom, the way in which the arrangements were carried through and the excellent music reflect great credit upon Major Yuill and those associated with him in the management of the dance.

A pleasant touch of variety was given to the occasion in the presentation by Mrs. Croft, Regent of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, of a medal to Lieutenant Gale, the best drilled cadet in the corps.

Hearty thanks is due His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Paterson, Colonel and Mrs. Roy, Colonel and Mrs. Currie, Colonel and Mrs. Winsby, the Daughters of the Empire and the chaperons who so kindly honored us by their presence and assistance.

The floor was not uncomfortably crowded, as is so often the case, about one hundred and fifty couples being the number engaged in dancing and all found the evening most enjoyable.

Among those present were: Miss Gladys Ramlose, Miss Belle Hastie, Miss Aileen McBride, Miss Ilace Terry, Miss Rose MacKenna, Miss Isabel Todd, Miss Ilma Duck, Miss Aileen Bowron, Miss Hazel McConnell, Miss Mary McKinnon, Miss Dorothy Taylor, Miss Marjorie Taylor, Miss Teresa Robinson, Miss Ada Chatterton, Miss Edith Edwards, Miss Nora Edwards, Miss Aileen Grimason, Miss Vincent and Miss W. Neroutsos and Messrs. Cutler, Fort, Grey, Wallis, Drury, Hamburger, McBride, Terry, McPherson, Hodgson, Heyland, Reid, Wyllie, Forrester, Shearman, Brown and many others.

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On Friday, April 3rd, Mrs. Wood again kindly lent her home to the Victoria College Hockey Club for their fourth annual dance. Although several were prevented owing to the Lenten season and other causes, from being present the evening was spent most pleasantly. Mr. and Mrs. Willis were invited as representatives of

the College staff and the club had also the pleasure of the company of Mr. Elliott and Mr. Francks, members of the Vancouver Debating Society. Those invited included: Miss Sibyl King, Miss Mary O'Brien, Miss Daisy Halliday, Miss Jean Halliday, Miss Gladys Ramlose, Miss Belle Hastie, Miss Teresa Robinson, Miss Gladys MacDonald, Miss Rose McKenna, Miss Teresa McKenna, Miss Laura Archibald and Miss Marjorie Campbell and Messrs. Hickey, Gordon, Hamilton, McBride, Shearman, Cutler, Wallis, Flitton, Kerr, Simpson, Hamburger, Floyd and McPherson.

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On April 15th a party of somewhat unusual yet none the less pleasing character was given by Miss Aileen Bowron. The girls were invited for the afternoon and to supper. In the evening the boys joined them and a jolly time was spent in games of various sorts and dancing. The prizes were carried off by Miss Vincent, Miss Margaret Nelson and Dick Wyllie, and Gordon Campbell. The guests were:—Miss Marjorie Campbell, Miss G. Vincent, Miss Jennie Dill, Miss Marjorie Dunn, Miss Margaret Nelson of Vancouver, Miss Mona Mutrie, Miss Erma Cessford and Miss Maud Nason and Messrs. McBride, Wyllie, Campbell, Sanson, Clark and Nason.

OUR HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS

The old schedule is altered now,
The High School is replaced,
By a palace not the least bit like
The one so long debased.

It rears its stately gables
In a field of barren loam
Which at present makes our colors
With it's blackness and the broom.

It has bells of piercing shrillness,
And five hundred phones or more.
True, they're nearly always idle
But then phones are such a bore!

There is heaps and heaps of spare room
Where our feet delight to roam,
Yet at noon-hour we are always
Turned out on the loathsome loam!

Hence we're hoping, not despairing,
That the greenness we cast off
May go far to hasten beauty
On this loam at which we scoff.

ON Friday afternoon, May 8th, the second annual High School Field Meet was held. The meet was a great success, the only fault being that there were not enough entries. On the old boys' race, which Eric McCallum won, there was a better showing, there being nearly fifteen old students running.

Bill Cutler, he of Rugby fame, cut loose his speed and won the senior championship. He won nearly every race he entered and the one to press him hardest in the sprints was Tommy Heyland. In the class relay race for boys, which was won by Matric A, Tommy beat Bill to the tape by about two inches. The dark horse of the meet was Farquharson, who ran Cutler a close second in the number of points for the cup, but Bill waxed speedy and beat him out. In the juniors Hay romped away with the honours, he leaving his closest competitor, Johnson, quite a few points behind him.

Among the girls Miss Nicholson outpointed by far her closest rival.. Last year Miss Nicholson also showed up well, but as there was no cup last year for the girls, Miss Nicholson went out this year and repeated, so she has the honour of first winning the girls' championship.

J. E. P. Macpherson was there with the loud noise as announcer and when he went out and broke up about seventeen jumping poles Len McBride relieved him, and his voice of rasping degree could be heard above all other noises and he was almost as good as Macpherson, the authorized exhibitator of hot air.

Our Rugby Team on Paper

MR. A. YATES, renowned through Victoria as a rugby player of great ability, is president and coach of our team. Never before has High School been honored by anyone who took such a great interest in athletics as Mr. Yates has during the past year and there are none who appreciate what he has done for them, more than the players themselves of the 1913-14 team. Seldom was there anything to interfere with his attendance at the practices and games. And it is frankly admitted by all that, although the High School won the city championship a great part of the honor belongs to Mr. Arthur Yates.

GORDON MacLAREN CAMPBELL was born in the year 1895. "Kim," as he is known to all, cautiously conducted our team to the winning of the Victoria Intermediate Championship. He has been playing the game since the second year of his existence, and there is no doubt that he has assimilated the manly art of rugby football and has it down to a science. Captain "Kim" is a born leader, having the gift of that stuff necessary to make a good orator. In the year 1913 he fought bravely in the Nanaimo strike war, in which he won much honor and many leather medals. Gordon is in Matric A.

LEN McBRIDE, our noble centre forward, hails from the city (?) of Port Guichon, which is situated somewhere in our province. Len has been living since 1895 and from 1896 until the present time he has been learning the game of rugger at which, strange to say, he has become quite a phenomenon, much to the wonder of the small infants who constantly gather around him with wide open mouths and stare. Before entering our institute of learning he attended the University School, but, drawn by the magnetism of real knowledge, came to High School. Len's name adorns the register in Matric B.

CAMPBELL SANSON was born in the year 1896 at Petrolia, Ont., but when only seven months old he became disgusted with this locality and persuaded his parents to come to British Columbia and here give him a chance in a new country. He had resided at Clinton, B. C., until in quest of greater learning he decided to wend his weary way to Victoria, where the High School was largely waiting for him. "King Cole," as he is known to a large number of his admirers, has played forward on our rugby team for three years. But never before has he shown up so well as this season. Matric B claims Sanson.

TOMMY HEYLAND hails from the metropolis of Nanaimo, where he was born in the days of '95. Like other great men of our team he is in Matric A. When a small boy he entered into a coal mine of that city to study the system of mining, but strange to say an explosion took place, blowing Tommy to Victoria. Heyland plays inside three-quarter, at which he is a marvel. Never before has High School been graced by anyone who is such an all-round athlete. So famous did he become that his name was added to the list of senior city players. To him belongs the honor of having kicked the only drop goal that was kicked this year in the Intermediate League.

PROCTOR MacPHERSON is a very high strung person, but for this he is forgiven when we find out that he was born on the top of Mt. Donald in 1897. When a mere child his greatest pleasure was to put his shoulder to huge boulders and cause them to roll down the mountain side. It was this exercise that made "Mac" the rugby player that he is. For without considering the fact that his

opponents were human beings and not rock he would put his shoulder to their trembling bodies, leaving wreck and ruin in the path. The reason why this heartless youth left the dizzy heights of Mt. Donald was in quest of a foreign language. So far in his tour he has reached Preliminary B.

ARTHUR McBRIDE needs no introduction to our readers, so famous has he become. It was only last year that "Art" was vice-captain of the Juniors, but has since advanced to the position of scrum-half. His place of birth was on the banks of the Fraser, in 1896. The greatest experience of his life, outside of nearly scoring a try once, was when a small boy, a little smaller than he is now, of being carried away on a sailing boat to the southern seas. Had it not been for a passing British war ship we might never have seen this star, but he was brought safely home and gave up his roving life for one of comfort at High School.

FRED COPAS, another stalwart forward, hails from Calgary, where the bells rang with great joy at the news of his birth, which was in 1895. No one worked harder throughout the whole year than Fred, and if in the years to come he distinguishes himself as nobly as he has done this season it is a well known fact that the name of Copas will go down to posterity. To him belongs the honor of being the first preliminary person to win his letter.

WILFRID POLLOCK is also a member of a preliminary class and like other great men of quality, he is a forward. His name has spread abroad as a hard tackler and in this art he is excelled by no one on the team. His speed is something marvelous and as for the way he can dribble the ball it is beyond description. The greatest pride of this renowned player is that he is in the cadet corps. No one does dare cast any rude remarks at this body of soldiers within ear-shot of Wilfred, for fear of some great calamity which has often been threatened.

GORDON CAMERON is by no means Scotch as his name would imply, but is a real true Canadian. His former home was in Calgary, but the cold was far greater than he could stand, so Victoria is now his residence. Gordon, it is said, can say more about nothing than anyone else in the school. Owing to his great wisdom he has reached the height of Junior and is determined to rest for a while at this point so as not to become fatigued.

ROBERT McILVRIDE is the biggest success at wing forward of any who have ever played that position in High School. This sturdy athlete first hit the earth in a town on the C. P. R. named Brandon, in the year nineteen hundred and ninety-five. He soon showed tendencies along the line of sport and has become a regular whirlwind at playing rugby.

RICHARD WALLIS, although an American boy, is now one of the leading lieutenants in the 50th Highland regiment of the Canadian Militia. Dick has some speed record; since his coming to

Victoria he has been the University School champion and this year a member of the fastest three-quarter line the Victoria Intermediates ever had at any time. He hails from Washington state and was born in the year 1895.

RICHARD HARDWICK, one of the "High's" veteran forwards, entered Victoria in the year 1903 at the age of six. Since then he has been chasing the rugger ball. He is also some player on the ground hockey team. Although of a modest and retiring nature, Hardwick has a way with the girls—just ask Pearl.

ALEXANDER VON FORRESTER, who by his name would appear to be German, is another native son and is far from being a disgrace to his home town. He is very speedy and although he did not make a regular birth on the team he made some of the forwards work in order to hold down their places. One of the few who was born and educated in the old game of rugby in Victoria is the same light-haired, fat-faced boy.

DONALD HEYLAND, "Dinno," a coal digger, who came down from Nanaimo fifteen years before the strike, at the age of two, has since learned the old game and was one of the best of this year's forwards; he also played a game on the three-quarters and made a hit. We hope that he may never go back to the coal city of the Island.

DAVID STAPLES, known better as "Red," is a resident of Saanich Municipality, and comes all the way in here to imbibe learning. Red was born in Winnipeg in 1896, but he didn't like the climate so he came to the Island. He was another member of the speedy four on Victoria High's three-quarter line. To anyone who knows this famous quartette he needs no further introduction as a rugby player. Sad to relate he is in Matric and may never again play his old position on the High's team.

STEELE is an American, having first seen daylight in Vermont, U.S.A., in the days of '97. This husky Yank is of great height and his name struck fear into the hearts of our enemies before ever entering upon the field. Only twice was he passed for a touchdown, for this noble warrior holds down the place of full-back in unsurpassable manner. Besides being a rugby artist he is also a baseball fiend of no small ability and we welcome with joy the fact that he has still two years to go in the good old school.

CYRIL SPRINKLING, another student who has yet a year or two to dwell in our midst, seems to have some strong connection with any matter, pertaining to great noise or shouting. This forward, commonly known as "Sprinks," upholds his name by downing all those who come in his way. During a rugby game the place to find Sprinks is at the bottom of a scrimmage, if any are in progress, hanging on to the ball with the patented Sprinks bear-hug. One of the other powers Sprinks has is his wonderful cleverness in English literature, at which he is nearly as adept as the professor himself. Sprinks was born in 1897 and has been growing outward ever since.

WILLIAM CUTLER, better known as "Bill," is the fastest man on our team, in fact he travels so quickly when he gets going that it is impossible to find out his real speed. His fame has spread far and wide as being one of the trickiest three-quarters in the game. Whenever Bill is determined to procure a try he does so and that generally happens many times during a game. Among the strange features of this speed phenomenon is that he is never seen without a collar of the latest cut adorning his neck and positively the loudest check cap made, on his dome. Now this may seem a small matter, but to us, his admirers, it seems a regrettable weakness. Willie is studying hard this year!—ahem!—in his spare time and is determined to become the next Rhodes Scholar. He was born in Victoria in 1896 and is a matriculation student this year, so it is evidently "so long Billie." Always remember the team of 1913-14.

Cadet News

Battalion Orders by Major L. S. Yuill, commanding No. 112, Victoria High School Cadet Battalion

Headquarters, Victoria High School,
Victoria, B. C., May 1st, 1914.

Inspection. Official Inspection by Major Belson, O. & I. C. C. M. D. 11, will be held on May 21st, at 3:00 p.m.

Cadet Camp. The 1914 annual Cadet Camp will be held at Macaulay Plains from July 6th to 12th inclusive. All High School Cadets who wish to attend are requested to hand in their names to the Adjutant, (Phone 2262).

(Signed) R. WALLIS,
Capt. and Adjutant.

Opening of New High School. On May 1st the Corps provided a guard of honour to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the official opening of the new High School. About fifty turned out under Major Yuill, Capt. Terry, Lieuts. Hamilton, McPherson, Gale, and Taylor.

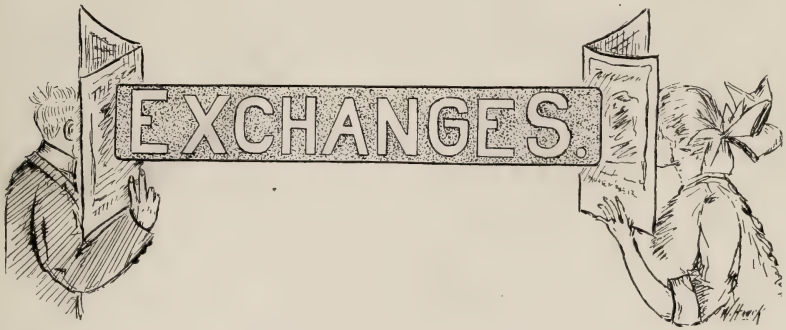
The afternoon was far advanced. The judge, lawyers and witnesses were all becoming drowsy.

Attorney for Defence (addressing the accused)—"How far is it from the town to your home."

Accused (after some deliberation)—"About five miles as the flow cries."

Attorney—"You mean as the cry flows."

Judge (sanely)—"No! he means as the fly crows."



DURING the present term of the Camosun's existence, we have been pleased to receive exchanges from many schools which have also contributed to this part of our paper in previous years, and which have been of value to us in the building up of our own magazine. In this our last issue of the 1913-14 session we wish to acknowledge the following exchanges:

"The Tahoma," Tacoma, Wash.—We are always glad to receive your paper for the simple reason that you maintain throughout your book a high standard of arrangement and method in the editing of it.

"The Hyde Park Weekly," Chicago, Ill.—We are certainly very much pleased to hear that our friends in Chicago are broad-minded enough to recognize that even "foreigners" on the far Pacific Coast can produce an attractive paper.

"The Lens," Washington H. S., Portland, Ore.—Your Humorous Number is quite a success. The jokes are really jokes in nine cases out of ten and your cartoon work is rather original.

"The Tiger," San Francisco, Cal.—Your Rallies are doing excellent work, in that they are encouraging school spirit, which is essential to every school that is to be a success. The good results are plainly shown in your extremely well edited paper. The form, material and in fact the whole appearance of your magazine make it a pleasure for one to read it.

"The Eh Kah Nam," Walla Walla, Washington—The reading material of your paper is good but if you wish the magazine to be attractive you will find it a benefit to introduce more headings and an occasional cut, to vary the more or less even tone of the rest of your book.

"The Commerce Caravel, New York—Your magazine appeals to us especially from the standpoint of the originality which is shown in the cartoons of the March issue.

"The McMaster University Monthly," Toronto—Your reading material is excellent and any school or college may well seek to keep up to your standard; but the monotony in appearance of your magazine would be done away with if more cuts were introduced to illustrate your articles.

MATRIC A

THE marks lately returned in the Matriculation April examinations establish one fact not capable of proof but self-evident, and serving as a foundation for future logical reasoning by our pedagogues.

Matric A contemplates having another picnic and all are desirous to follow a delightful example set by two of our most prominent members; the only thing that worries is—Who's to bring the boats back?

Matric B won the Girls' Relay but Matric A won the Boys'. Can the small wavering foot-steps of those little girls possibly compare with the magnificent strides of our champions? No! there is no comparison for we won ours by Inches.

A Soliloquy

And there's no such thing as a High School bell!
Contains this world a place so fair
That Latin and French cannot enter there?
A place where exams are a thing unknown,
Whose results make distracted teachers groan?
A place where prefects may not dwell.

MATRIC B

We may not be very bright in school, but what about our sports results?

Some of us are wondering what to do with ourselves in the summer holidays. Perhaps we might suggest that:

Forrester—Should train for sports.

Miss Eagle—Have a good sleep.

Misses Burns and Sutton—Dissolve partnership.

McBride—Take a course at Westminster.

Sanson—Turn grave-digger.

Miss Mackaye—Get something better to hug than a post.

Farquharson—Practice aerial athletics.

Misses Fox and Woods—Look up the "Montessori method" of bringing up children.

JUNIOR A

His name is H———; he is a member of Junior A and he has only one ambition, which is that everybody should think him a dude.

He works hard at it, but somehow he fails and he knows it. He struggles to get his clothes right and he gets them so right that they seem all wrong. He brushes his clothes till his arms ache, and, helped by a sponge and a mattress, he produces each morning a crease on his trousers like the edge of a sword and the question arises:—"Is he a dude or not?"

JUNIOR B

ODE TO THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Finest of buildings thou art to my eyes,
Where daily now at last we do repair,
Where the unwilling scholar mourns and sighs,
And teachers bend beneath their load of care.
I do not seek to know the means or ways,
The wondrous measurements, and builder's skill,
But 'tis thy beauty that demands my gaze,
And all my high imaginings does fulfil;
Oh High School! words cannot express for me
Thy beauty, which on every side we see;
Surely on thee the sun shines brighter rays.

And while we wander through thy many halls,
Toil up thy many stairs with weary feet,
There comes remembrance dear of other walls,
Which nevermore again we'll daily greet.
There's one thing now that we have left behind.
One grief that ever in our hearts was sore,
The remedy has come for which we pined,
The glorious truth—Detention is no more;
Detention! thou wilt soon forgotten be,
But every teacher's tongue will soon praise thee,
And hearts will turn to stone that once were kind.

Its too bad the three-legged race was crossed off the programme. Junior B had arranged some very interesting combinations.

We jointly and severally wish that some people in V. H. S. would be very careless how they spread doubtful rumours. One of our members has been put in an exceedingly—ah,—well, to say the least—embarrassing position.

At last Eva your designs are accomplished; your careful manoeuverings brought to a successful close;—what happened going home?

According to certain vigorous motions made by the hands, we have some dummies in our room. Ask the teachers!

Shake him a little harder, Mary Ellen, you will get rid of him yet.

You doubtless will be glad the College is closed Edna Marwick, but never mind, he might be nicer when you know him than you think he is.

Kitty, do you still meet him at the corner?

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If an elephant with a mouthful of India rubber can climb an ant-hill in three minutes and one-half, how long will it take Isobel to climb three flights of stairs at 9:16 a.m.?

PRELIM A

Exams.

"Out of examiner's minds they flow
And old acquaintance sever;
Teachers may come and teachers may go
But Exams go on forever."

Rumour says that there was an earthquake on Friday, 1st, but we know better, for it was just a few ungraceful stunts of our "gym" girls.

Examinations are formidable even to the best prepared. For the greatest fool may ask more than the wisest man can answer.

A fool there was, and to school he went
Even as you and I.
At the lunch counter a nickel he spent,
A counterfeit nickel which he had been lent;
But the fool to the grave by the luncheon was sent
Even as you and I.
Oh! the years we waste and the tears we waste
Who just for the taste
Spent their nickels in haste,
Even as you and I.
Then die from those lunch counter rolls.

—H. F.

Maybe the person who wanted to contribute a mouth-organ to our school orchestra, would give us a tune to while away the weary hours in our arithmetic period.

(In Eng.) Teacher: When you read about the crossbows what did immediately shoot into your head. (Ans.) Bolts.

(In Room 5): Those in the back seat please refrain from vibration.

A is for Allen who slumbers in class.
B is for Bendrodt, who smiles at a lass.
C stands for Cross, whose brain is a wonder;
D stands for Davy, who 's ne'er known to blunder,

E is for Edward, the winner of fame,
F—for Foulkes—oh, foot-ball's the game!
G is for Gardner, our class star who knows all,
H is for Harkness, our Dickybird small.
I is the pronoun most used in the room.
J for the jokes which oft spell our doom.
K is for kids so pretty and pert,
L is for laughter that never can hurt.
M is for Miller, whose ambitions do soar,
N is for noise which you hear through our door.
O is the mark which we all shun with care.
P—for Patricia—the best person there,
Q is the questions we all fire with ease.
R for the rest, which would all of us please.
S is for Sammy, the best in the drill.
T—for the talkers who never are still.
U—Understanding we all feign would feel.
V is for virtue, which in all is so real.
W is for Weston with answers so few.
X—for the unknowns we vainly pursue.
Y—for the same kind of mystery too.
Z for the zeal which pulls all of us through.

PRELIMINARY B

The members of our class are now "Men of Affairs." Look at their full rings of keys. How many are in constant use?

Nervous boy, after being asked to define Geometry: "Geometry is a book with red covers."

Hamburger when writing the French exam, mixed up French, German and Latin. We feel sorry for the boy as it was due to over-study.

One result of a non-study period of Ivanhoe—"Companhurst was a man with a long red beard."

A small delegation of five have left our class to aid in the founding of Preliminary "F." One teacher said that "F" stood for a good many words.

(When Hay leaves his locker-key at home)
Lockers, lockers all surround him,
But not **the** key had he,
Big keys, small keys all around him,
But none would set his free.

On the 7th of May, Gray and Parfitt celebrated the sixteenth anniversary of their natal day. It is interesting to note that two such geniuses should have been born on the same day.

PRELIMINARY "C"

Ten Years Hence

I sat down at my desk with the intention of writing the class report for the "Camosun" which was to be handed in on the following morning. I wrote slowly and carefully for some time but then becoming weary of my task I threw my pen aside, rested my head on my arms and before long I was asleep and dreaming of my school friends.

At first I found myself in a brilliantly lighted hall with many richly dressed people and as I entered I was greeted by my hostess, a charming young lady whom I recognized as Miss Jackson, an old school friend. During the evening she told me that this was a reception for all her old school friends. "I suppose," she said, "you recognize many?"

I replied in the negative, whereupon she pointed out some of them to me. "The young lady standing at the door is Miss Hanan, a Latin instructor in the Victoria High School; the tall dark young lady with whom she is talking is Miss Bell, a well known drill instructor.

Just then all the conversation in the room ceased and a young lady began to sing.

"Oh," she replied, "surely you know, why that is Miss Calder, the famous opera singer (?), and the young lady playing the accompaniment is Miss Fraser, her travelling companion."

By this time the song had ended and Miss Hardie, the mayoress, was asked to address the audience. After her speech was over Miss MacMillan was about to relate her journey from the North Pole to the South Pole in her hydroplane when I felt someone touch me on the shoulder and I awoke, only to find my report, so carefully written, covered with ink, my dress ruined and morning slowly dawning.

PRELIMINARY D

Oh! see these faces sad and gloomy
In our school so fine and roomy,
Where we came with lightened spirits but one long month ago;
Oh see these faces that were cheery,
How dull they look and weary!
For exams. are really over, and oh! we've passed so low!

All our teachers range around us
And express their wish to pound us.
"Why did you not do better in the Eastertide Exam?"
We bring forth our explanations
Of our past poor demonstrations,
But those teachers coldly say, "Now my friend, you've got to cram."

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And our great dislike for lammings,
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If you would be wise and prudent,
I will kindly say, "Buck up, for the worst is yet to come."

This famous Limerick was derived from a piece of poetry written by a Roman poet about 300 B. C., who, upon having his poetry rejected by the critics, drowned himself in the Baths of Caracalla. A diver recently diving for prune stones discovered a golden casket containing his masterpiece:

There was a young laddie all wise,
Who left town at night in disguise,
He came back from the trip
With his clothes all a-rip,
While the tears irrigated his eyes.

COMMERCIAL A

We are sorry to see that Lyall Steele has left school to work in the E. & N. Land Office. We cannot, however, but wish him every success in his present situation.

We regret that a "Fat Man's race" was not upon the programme on our recent school meet, as we all expected little Albert to carry off the honors in that popular event.

Amongst the boys it used to be: "We are seven," but, alas! we are now but six.

You would never have guessed that Borden possessed the qualities of a spring poet. This is, however, his last, (at any rate we hope so):

Hobble, hobble, little star,
How can she walk to school so far?
But if she stumbles around the V. H. S.
There'll be a calamity, boys, I guess.

COMMERCIAL B

A student on a summer's day
Left his work and decided to play:

For lessons, he said, in Commercial B,
Bore me to death, and I cannot see,

Why in one and six one must unfold,
How a part cannot equal the whole,

Yet this has greatly puzzled someone,
For there's over a page before they get done,

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To tell us that one from two leaves you one.

As to the algebra, I don't see the joke,
But stay, I'll forget it, for fear I might croak,

And the book-keeping, well, I might as well try
To make top and tail of the moon in the sky.

But, alas, for me and alas, for us all,
When the exams are over and I recall,

The moments all wasted, perhaps I'll say then
How foolish I was, "It might have been."

COMMERCIAL B'S MORNING TIME-TABLE

1:00—Grace (just returning from a dance)—"Well, I don't care if I do have to stay in."
2:00—Fowler (drowsily closing his short-hand)—"It's all very well, but enough is as good as a feast."
3:00—Ramsdale (perusing another hair-dyeing ad.)—"Don't think I'll risk it, it might turn green."
4:00—Florence (just arising)—"Let me see! Oh yes!, Grammar first and English next."
5:00—Sleepy (rubbing his eyes)—"Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and . . . a-hem."
6:00—Lacousiere, red in the face—"Who in the name of Benjamin Franklin invented ties."
7:00—Rosie (as she starts to school)—"Never mind the breakfast, got to keep up my reputation."
8:00—Crowther (in a frenzie of excitement)—"Anybody here seen a stray sock?" Nita (just leaving)—"I saw the dog eating something."
9:00—Sighs and groans from all quarters.
10:00—Stella (puffing into station)—"Better late than never."
12:00—Everybody—"Excuse me, I'm in a hurry."

Way down upon an island glorious,
Far, far, away;
Once a High School thrived victorious,
Down where the oceans sway.
There the lads and lasses worked with great precision
Over a bit of composition;
But those essays Wooden come right
Even though they worked all night.
About four in the morning they "struck the hay."
They really didn't know which way,
But calmly wished Comp. to perdition.

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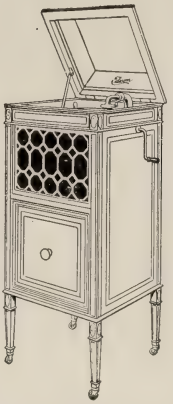

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We came from haunts of low-school kids
We made a sudden rally,
We passed the entrance, scraped our lids
In doing so. Some sally!

On many stones we nearly fell,
In getting to this high school;
But now each morn we hear the bell
And we acted like great fools.

For the night before we'd done no work
And now, O wretched pupils,
We're in for it and dangers lurk
With never a sign of loop-holes.

ODE TO CLASS REPORTERS

Perhaps a word, perhaps a line,
Written at random,
Is given those suffering ones
When they demand 'em!
Perhaps it's some awful stuff,
Perhaps there is not half enough,
Then the work needs must fall
On the reporter!

And when Camosun's out,
An eager class looks for,
Nor finds the lines they wrote,
Then are their hearts sore;
Sniff at the stuff that's there
And with a stony stare,
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Their class reporter!

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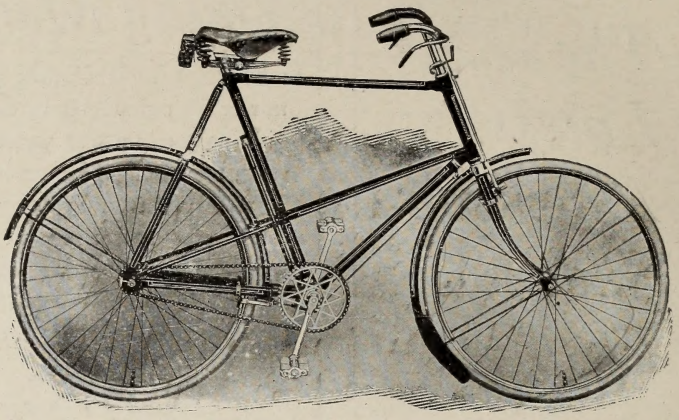

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